BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Minutes of the Board of Police Commissioners Community Meeting Thursday, July 10, 2003

The Community meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners was held on Thursday, July 10, 2003, at 6:30 p.m., at Northeast Community Hospital, 4777 East Outer Drive, Detroit, MI 48234.

<u>ATTENDANCE</u>

Board Members Present

Arthur Blackwell, II

Willie E. Hampton (ABS)

Erminia Ramirez

Edgar L. Vann, Jr. (ABS)

Megan Norris

Department Personnel Present

AC Shoulders

AC Black

DC Haddad

DC Cureton

DC Best

DC Turnbull

DC Campbell

DC Goss-Andrews

Cmdr. Dunlap

Cmdr. Hall

Cmdr. Brackens

Cmdr. Mylnarczyk

Cmdr. Parshall

Cmdr. Higdon

Insp. Isom

Insp. Rice

Insp. Jan Johnson

Insp. McFarland

Insp. Jackson

Insp. Martin

Department Personnel Present

Insp. Montgomery

Lt. Long

Lt. R. Tillman

Lt. Falska

Lt. R. Lawrence

Lt. Baker

Lt. R. Washington

Sgt. Julian

Sgt. G. Franklin

Sgt. D. Jackson

Sat. L. Hicks

Sqt. Robbins

Inv. Richard Buyse

Inv. Mandeville

PO G. Woods

PO Irvette Reed

PO Wade

PO Womble

PO James Jones

PO W. Couies

PO Robert Johnson

PO Derrick Knox

PO Barney Williams

PO Kenneth Cawley

PO Renee Ellis

PO Jason Treece

PO Jeremy Aquayo

PO William Hamilton

PO Lawrence Purifoy

PO Marcus Woodson

PO Paul Sahadi

PO Jacquelynne Moore

PO Latrelle McNairy

PO Reggie Crawford

DPD Audio Visual Crew

Atty. Nancy Ninowski

Civ. 2nd DC Dunlap

Civ. Leslie Johnson

Civ. Leo Beasley

Civ. Della Clark

Board Staff Present

Dante' L. Goss, Exec. Director Arnold Sheard, Interim Chief Investigator Michelle McDonald, Community Affairs Coordinator E. Lynise Bryant-Weekes, Personnel Director

OTHERS PRESENT

Teresa Lewis
Edith Payne
Greg Frazier
Janelle Frazier
Shirley Burch
Hodari Pili-Tourre Brown
Norma Mayfield
Margie Duffy
Phillip Craccioholo
Mary Lacey
Ron Scott
Ms. Walters

RECORDERS

Jerome Adams

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairperson Blackwell called the regular meeting of the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners to order at 6:42 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Comm. Blackwell made the motion to approve the minutes

of Thursday, July 3, 2003.

SECOND: Commissioner Norris seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

3. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR

Badge Presentation

Comm. Blackwell presented DC Campbell with his Deputy Chief badge and congratulated him on his promotion on behalf of the Board of Police Commissioners.

DC Campbell thanked the Board of Police Commissioners, Mayor Kilpatrick, the Detroit Police Department and the senior Executives.

Poem Reading

Comm. Blackwell stated that the resolution was approved last week for Mr. Hodari Pili-Tourree Brown.

Mr. Brown read his poem to the audience.

Teresa Lewis, President of the 11th Precinct Community Relations Council congratulated Mr. Brown on being the first black valedictorian at Pershing High School, and being the recipient of \$140,000 in scholarship money.

RESOLUTION HONORING

MRS. SHIRLEY ANN BURCH

- **WHEREAS** Mrs. Shirley Ann Burch is a resident and a community activist in the City of Detroit; and
- **WHEREAS** Mrs. Burch has been actively involved in the community for over 40 years; and
- WHEREAS Mrs. Burch contributes her time and devotes countless hours working with the Eleventh Precinct's community canned food drive, the Detroit Public Schools Outreach Program, the Thanksgiving Day basket donations, Coats for Kids and community clean up projects; and
- WHEREAS Mrs. Burch founded and currently serves as the Community Coordinator of the "Community United for Progress" organization. This organization is responsible for obtaining a grant which resulted in Butler Park being reconstructed into the 1st park in the City of Detroit to house an "Able to Play" boundless playground for physically challenged children; and

WHEREAS Mrs. Burch, in addition to all the aforementioned activities, still finds time to participate and volunteer for church activities, the Charles Wright Historical Museum of African American History and with school groups.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED That the Detroit Board of Police Commissioners, speaking for the citizens of the City of Detroit and the Detroit Police Department, acknowledges the generous spirit of Mrs. Burch. Her unselfishness and dedication to improving the quality of life for all citizens in her community and throughout the City of Detroit merits our highest regards.

We thank and congratulate you, Mrs. Shirley Ann Burch.

/s/ Megan P. Norris Chairperson

/s/Willie Hampton Vice Chairperson

/s/Arthur Blackwell Commissioner

/s/Edgar L. Vann, Jr. Commissioner

/s/Erminia Ramirez Commissioner

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MOTION: Commissioner Blackwell made the motion to adopt the

resolution for Ms. Shirley Ann Burch.

SECOND: **Commissioner Norris** seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

Commander Dunlap presented Mrs. Burch with a Certification of Recognition on behalf of Chief Oliver and the Detroit Police Department.

AC Shoulders presented Mrs. Burch with the Spirit of Detroit award on behalf of the City Council Unit.

CLOSED SESSION MEETING

Comm. Blackwell stated that the board would like to have a closed session meeting to discuss a personnel matter regarding suspension without pay of an employee.

MOTION: Commissioner Norris made the motion to convene

for a closed session meeting regarding an employee.

SECOND: Commissioner Ramirez seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

THE CLOSED SESSION MEETING BEGAN AT 7:00 P.M.

THE BOARD MEMBERS RETURNED FROM THE CLOSED SESSION MEETING AT 7:30 P.M.

Comm. Blackwell reconvened the meeting and stated that the Executive Director Dante' L. Goss would read a statement.

Executive Director Goss stated that the Department has a motion in respect to the closed session.

Atty. Nancy Ninowski stated that the Detroit Police Department respectfully requests to withdraw the petition.

MOTION: Commissioner Norris made the motion to withdraw the

petition regarding an employee.

SECOND: Commissioner Ramirez seconded the motion.

VOTE: All in attendance voted in the affirmative.

4. <u>SECRETARY REPORT - EXEC. DIR. GOSS</u>

Comm. Blackwell stated that we have several suspensions without pay.

Generally, we have one or two. Today, we have seventeen (17)?

Comm. Blackwell asked we have eighteen (18)?

Exec. Dir. Goss answered we have seventeen (17).

Comm. Blackwell stated we have seventeen (17). We have received direction from our counsel that these individuals in this country are innocent until proven guilty. These seventeen (17) individuals have been indicted. These indictments are of a nature that the Chief of Police and his staff recommended that these individuals be suspended without pay.

We will read the names and any other information. **Comm. Blackwell** asked **Exec. Dir. Goss** to explain how they will be read.

Exec. Dir. Goss stated first, he would read one (1) suspension not concerning the seventeen (17), and then he would read the seventeen (17) and the charges.

Comm. Blackwell asked and the name?

Exec. Dir. Goss answered and the name.

Comm. Blackwell answered okay. First, we will take the suspension without pay of petition request. I am sorry, for an individual that is not part of the seventeen (17) received.

Suspensions

On July 10, 2003, Police Officer Michael Allen, badge 1401, assigned to the Housing Support Section, was suspended without pay by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On June 30, 2003, the Professional Accountability Bureau Force Investigation Section was notified of an allegation of misconduct on the part of off-duty Police Officer Allen. More specifically, the allegation concerned Officer Allen's possession of his department issued firearm while in Windsor, Ontario, Canada, and in the process of concealing his department

issued firearm from Canadian customs inspectors, shooting himself in the leg.

The Windsor Police Service Information Sheet indicated the following:

That on June 30, 2003, at approximately 2:30 a.m., Officer Allen was a passenger in a maroon Chevrolet Monte Carlo in line at the Customs check point to cross the Ambassador Bridge into Detroit. There were three other individuals in the vehicle: Officer Allen was seated in the rear passenger compartment. The customs inspector questioned the occupants of the vehicle, where upon Officer Allen identified himself as a Detroit Police Officer. The customs inspector asked Officer Allen if he had his firearm with him. Officer Allen responded that he did not have his firearm with him. The customs inspector then requested the occupants of the vehicle proceed to a secondary area for verification of citizenship. Officer Allen remained in the vehicle, while the other three occupants exited the vehicle and proceeded to the Immigration office. The customs inspector approached the vehicle to determine why Officer Allen was still seated in the vehicle, noting that Officer Allen was now in the front seat. The customs inspector also noticed that Officer Allen was holding his leg. The inspector asked if there was a problem. Officer Allen indicated that when he was exiting the vehicle he tripped and that he thought he broke his leg. The inspector examined his leg and noticed that there was a fresh gunshot wound spurting blood. When questioned, Officer Allen denied having a gunshot wound. The inspector then told Officer Allen again that he had been shot. Officer Allen responded by stating that he did not know who would shoot him. Finally, Officer Allen admitted that he had just shot himself and that his department issued weapon was under his seat.

Office Allen was subsequently transported to Windsor Hospital and advised that he was under arrest for smuggling a restricted weapon. Later, due to the seriousness of the injury, Officer Allen was transferred to William Beaumont Hospital in Troy, Michigan. Before leaving Canada, Officer Allen was served with a "Direction to Leave Canada Notice" and released pending further investigation. The Windsor Police have requested a criminal warrant for "Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm and Unauthorized Possession of a Firearm in a Motor Vehicle." It has yet to be determined whether the charges will proceed as a misdemeanor or felony. Customs officials have also indicated that they will pursue criminal charges against Officer Allen.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Allen be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

CHARGE:

CONDUCT UNBECOMING AN OFFICER; CONTRARY TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CODE OF ETHICS, THIS BEING IN VIOLATION OF THE DETROIT POLICE DEPARTMENT CODE OF CONDUCT, SERIES 100, CHAPTER 102, DIRECTIVE 102.3 5-7, SECTION (3).

Comm. Blackwell asked if there was anyone here on behalf of Officer Allen?

Atty. Nancy Ninowski stated that just for purpose of clarification on the suspension petition, her understanding was that on June 30, 2003, that Officer Allen was suspended with pay and that he continues to be suspended with pay. The Detroit Police Officers Association's Attorney John J. Goldpaugh, was not able to make the meeting tonight and has reserved argument for next week on July 17, 2003.

Comm. Blackwell asked Atty. Ninowski is there no petition in front of us for suspension without pay?

Atty. Nancy Ninowski answered yes, and that the petition is for a suspension without pay.

Unless contravened by this Commission, the above suspension without pay will stand.

On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Denny Borg, badge 1891**, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended <u>without pay</u>, by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer Denny Borg. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

 That on August 28, 2000, Officer Borg did, or did participate in,unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit and conduct an unlawful search of the premises, subject an individual(s) to an unlawful arrest, convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount of two-hundred dollars (\$200.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Borg was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights. On June 20, 2003, Officer Borg was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Thomas Carlson on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Borg be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CODE OF ETHICS, THIS BEING IN VIOLATION OF GENERAL ORDER 72-17,

SECTION K, SUBSECTION 65.

Unless contravened by this Commission, the above suspension without pay will stand.

On July 10, 2003, Police Officer Troy Bradley, badge 4719, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended without pay, by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Officer Troy Bradley. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on August 28, 2000, Officer Bradley did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit and conduct an unlawful search of the premises, subject an individual(s) to an unlawful arrest, convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount of two-hundred dollars (\$200.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on August 7, 2001, Officer Bradley did in an area located within the city of Detroit falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Report concerning the arrest of an individual;
- That on April 22, 2002, Officer Bradley did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit subject individual(s) to unlawful search and/or seizure, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;

- That on April 24, 2002, Officer Bradley did, or did participate in, forcibly and unlawfully enter the residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individuals therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individuals therein to excessive force by stepping on an individual's head and dislodging a tooth, battering individual(s) therein and subjecting the individual(s) therein to a body cavity search, arrest the individuals therein based in false claims, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same; and
- That on October 5, 2002, Officer Bradley did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit subject an individual(s) to unreasonable and/or excessive force.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Bradley was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights and Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law. Subsequently, Officer Bradley was taken into custody and appeared before Federal Magistrate Thomas Carlson where he was held pending a detention hearing.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Bradley be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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Unless contravened by this Commission, the above suspension <u>without</u> <u>pay</u> will stand.

On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer James Coss, badge 1510**, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended without pay, by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer James Coss. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

 That on April 24, 2002, Officer Coss did, or did participate in, forcibly and unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individuals therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individuals therein to excessive force by stepping on an individual's head and dislodging a tooth, battering individual(s) therein and subjecting the individual(s) therein to a body cavity search, arrest the individuals therein based in false claims, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Coss was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights and Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law. On June 20, 2003, Officer Coss was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Coss be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

CHARGE:

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Unless contravened by this Commission, the above suspension without pay will stand.

On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Mark Diaz**, **badge 3329**, assigned to the Third Precinct, was suspended <u>without pay</u>, by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer Mark Diaz. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on June 3, 2001, Officer Diaz did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit, convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount to twothousand dollars (\$2,000.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on February 9, 2002, Officer Diaz did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individual(s) therein to excessive force by holding an individual(s) out a second story window, subject an individual(s) to false arrest, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same; and
- That on February 11, 2002, Officer Diaz did, or did participate in, forcibly enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to illegal search and/or seizure, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Diaz was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights and Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law. On June 20, 2003, Officer Diaz was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Thomas Carlson on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Diaz be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CODE OF ETHICS, THIS BEING IN VIOLATION OF GENERAL ORDER 72-17,

SECTION K, SUBSECTION 65.

Unless contravened by this Commission, the above suspension without pay will stand.

On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Timothy Gilbert, badge 4183**, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended without pay, by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer Timothy Gilbert. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on October 8, 2001, Officer Gilbert did, or did participate in, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), falsify the results of an inventory search in the property log book by indicating that money was found on an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on March 9, 2002, Officer Gilbert did falsify the factual basis for the arrest of an individual(s) in the Preliminary Complaint Record;
- That on April 24, 2002, Officer Gilbert did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit, forcibly and unlawfully enter the residence, subject the individuals therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individuals therein to excessive force by stepping on an individual's head and dislodging a tooth, beating individual(s) therein and subjecting the individual(s) therein to a body cavity search, arrest the individuals therein based in false claims, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same; and
- That on October 5, 2002, Officer Gilbert did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit subject an individual(s) to unreasonable and/or excessive force.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Gilbert was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights and Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law. On June 20, 2003, Officer Gilbert was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Gilbert be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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THE LAW ENFORCEMENT CODE OF ETHICS, THIS BEING IN VIOLATION OF GENERAL ORDER 72-17,

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On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Chris Guinn**, badge 4455, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended <u>without pay</u>, by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer Chris Guinn. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on February 19 2002, Officer Guinn did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, and falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on April 24, 2002, Officer Guinn did, or did participate in, forcibly and unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individuals therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individuals therein to excessive force by stepping on an individual's head and dislodging a tooth, beating individual(s) therein and subjecting the

individual(s) therein to a body cavity search, arrest the individuals therein based in false claims, and falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same; and

• That on October 5, 2002, Officer Guinn did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit, subject an individual(s) to unreasonable and/or excessive force.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Guinn was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights and Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law. On June 20, 2003, Officer Guinn was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Guinn be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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Unless contravened by this Commission, the above suspension without pay will stand.

On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer John McLeod**, badge 514, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended without pay, by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer John McLeod. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

 That on August 7, 2001, Officer McLeod did falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Report concerning the arrest of an individual; and That on October 8, 2001, Officer McLeod did, or did participate in, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer McLeod was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights. On June 20, 2003, Officer McLeod was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer McLeod be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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On July 10, 2003, Police Officer William Melendez, badge 2079, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended without pay, by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer William Melendez. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

 That on February 26, 2001, Officer Melendez did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit by pointing a firearm at the individual(s) therein, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individual(s) therein to false arrest, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;

- That on June 16, 2001, Officer Melendez did, or did participate in, unlawfully stop and arrest an individual(s), threaten to kill an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on October 8, 2001, Officer Melendez did, or did participate in, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), convert property of another to his own use, that being a .22 revolver, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That during the winter of 2001, Officer Melendez did convert to his own use money and property belonging to another, that being nine-hundred dollars (\$900.00) and a sweater;
- That on February 11, 2002, Officer Melendez did, or did participate in, forcibly enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to illegal search and/or seizure, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on February 19 2002, Officer Melendez did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on March 24, 2002, Officer Melendez did falsify the factual basis for the arrest of an individual(s) in the Preliminary Complaint Record;
- That on March 9, 2002, Officer Melendez did falsify the factual basis for the arrest of an individual(s) in the Preliminary Complaint Record;

- That on April 22, 2002, Officer Melendez did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit subject individual(s) to unlawful search and/or seizure, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis for the arrest in the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on April 24, 2002, Officer Melendez did, or did participate in, forcibly and unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individuals therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individuals therein to excessive force by stepping on an individual's head and dislodging a tooth, battering individual(s) therein, and subjecting the individual(s) therein to a body cavity search, arrest the individuals therein based in false claims, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on December 3, 2002, Officer Melendez did, or did participate in, subject an individual to unreasonable search at a residence located within the city of Detroit and convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount of two-thousand dollars (\$2,000.00);
- That on February 26, 2001, Officer Melendez did use or threaten to use of a dangerous weapon, that being a firearm, during the commission of a crime;
- That on February 26, 2001, Officer Melendez did brandish a firearm during the commission of a crime; and
- That on October 8, 2001, Officer Melendez did knowingly possess a stolen firearm, that being a .22 caliber F.I.E. revolver.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Melendez was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights, Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law, Use and Carrying of a Firearm During a Crime of Violence, and Possession of a Stolen Firearm. Subsequently, Officer Melendez was taken into custody and appeared before

Federal Magistrate Thomas Carlson where he was held pending a detention hearing.

On June 26, 2003, Officer Melendez appeared before Federal District Court Judge Avern Cohn for a detention hearing. At that time, Judge Cohn released Officer Melendez on a ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Melendez be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Stephen Petroff**, badge 520, assigned to the Fourth Precinct was suspended **without pay** by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Officer Petroff. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on April 24, 2002, Officer Petroff did, or did participate in, forcibly and unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit and subject the individuals therein to unlawful search
- and/or seizure, subject the individuals therein to excessive force by stepping on an individual's head and dislodging a tooth, beating individual(s) therein and subjecting the individual(s) therein to a body cavity search, arrest the individuals therein based

in false claims, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Petroff was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights and Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law. On June 20, 2003, Officer Petroff was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Petroff be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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On July 10, 2003, Police Officer Nicole Rich, badge 184, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended without pay by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Officer Rich. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on February 11, 2002, Officer Rich did, or did participate in, forcibly enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to illegal search and/or seizure, unlawfully arrest an
- individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Rich was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights. On June 20, 2003, Officer Petroff was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Thomas

Carlson on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Rich be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Thomas Turkaly**, badge 3070, assigned to the Narcotics Special Enforcement Section, was suspended <u>without pay</u> by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer Thomas Turkaly. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on February 12, 2001, Officer Turkaly did, or did participate in, forcibly and unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to an unlawful search and/or seizure, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same; and
- That on June 3, 2001, Officer Turkaly did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of

Detroit, convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount to two-thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Turkaly was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights. On June 20, 2003, Officer Turkaly was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Turkaly be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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SECTION K, SUBSECTION 65.

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On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Ricardo Villarruel**, badge 1718, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended <u>without pay</u> by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Officer Ricardo Villarruel. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on February 26, 2001, Officer Villarruel did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individual(s) therein to false arrest, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same; and
- That on June 16, 2001, Officer Villarruel did, or did participate in, unlawfully stop and arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Villarruel was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights. On June 20, 2003, Officer Villarruel was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Villarruel be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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SECTION K, SUBSECTION 65.

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On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer John Watkins**, badge 2245, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, current duty status suspended with pay, was suspended without pay by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer John Watkins. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

 That on October 8, 2001, Officer Watkins did, or did participate in, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Watkins was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights and Possession of a Stolen Firearm. On June 20, 2003, Officer Watkins was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Watkins be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Jeffrey Weiss**, badge 3549, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended without pay by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Officer Jeffrey Weiss. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on February 26, 2001, Officer Weiss did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individual(s) therein to false arrest, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on June 16, 2001, Officer Weiss did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit unlawfully stop and arrest an
 - individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on August 7, 2001, Officer Weiss did falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary

Complaint Report concerning the arrest of an individual(s);

- That on October 8, 2001, Officer Weiss did falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning the arrest of individual(s);
- That on February 19 2002, Officer Weiss did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on March 24, 2002, Officer Weiss did in an area located within the city of Detroit falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning the arrest of an individual(s); and
- That on April 22, 2002, Officer Weiss did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit subject individual(s) to unlawful search and/or seizure, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Weiss was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights. On June 20, 2003, Officer Weiss was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan

on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Weiss be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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Unless contravened by this Commission, the above suspension without pay will stand.

On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Jerrod Willis**, badge 3751, assigned to the Fourth Precinct, was suspended <u>without pay</u> by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Officer Jerrod Willis. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

- That on August 28, 2000, Officer Willis did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit and conduct an unlawful search of the premises, subject an individual(s) to an unlawful arrest, convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount of two-hundred dollars (\$200.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on August 7, 2001, Officer Weiss did falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Report concerning the arrest of an individual;
- That on February 19 2002, Officer Willis did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same; and

 That on March 24, 2002, Officer Willis did falsify the factual basis for the arrest of an individual(s) in the Preliminary Complaint Record.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Willis was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights. On June 20, 2003, Officer Willis was arraigned before Federal Magistrate Virginia Morgan on the aforementioned charge, wherein bond was set at ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Willis be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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On July 10, 2003, **Police Officer Matthew Zani**, badge 3308, assigned to the Third Precinct, was suspended <u>without pay</u> by Chief Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

On or about April 29, 2000, the Internal Affairs Section received a complaint regarding an allegation of misconduct on the part of Police Officer Matthew Zani. A joint investigation was initiated between the Detroit Police Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, which revealed the following:

 That on April 29, 2000, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, illegally enter a residence located within the city of Detroit by breaking a window, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;

- That on May 2, 2000, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, illegally enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject an individual(s) to inappropriate contact of a sexual nature, convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount to one-thousand and two-hundred and forty-two dollars (\$1,242.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on August 28, 2000, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, illegally enter a residence located within the city of Detroit and conduct an unlawful search of the premises, subject an individual(s) to an unlawful arrest, convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount of two-hundred dollars (\$200.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on January 3, 2001, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, detain an individual(s) an area located within the city of Detroit and subject that individual(s) to an illegal search and/or seizure, convert to his own use money belonging to another in the amount of fourhundred dollars (\$400.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same:
- That on February 12, 2001, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, forcibly enter a residence located within the city of Detroit by pointing a firearm at the individual(s) therein, unlawfully enter the residence, subject the individual(s) therein to an unlawful search and/or seizure, convert to his own use money belong to another in the amount of one-hundred and forty dollars (\$140.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on June 3, 2001, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit convert to

his own use money belonging to another in the amount to two-thousand dollars (\$2,000.00), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;

- That on February 9, 2002, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, unlawfully enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to unlawful search and/or seizure, subject the individual(s) therein to excessive force by holding an individual(s) out a second story window, placing a noose around that individual's neck, tightening the noose around that individual's neck, threatening to kill that individual, and battering an individual(s) about the head while that individual was handcuffed, subject an individual(s) to false arrest, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same:
- That on February 11, 2002, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, forcibly enter a residence located within the city of Detroit, subject the individual(s) therein to illegal search and/or seizure, unlawfully arrest an individual(s), and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same:
- That on August 22, 2002, Officer Zani did, or did participate in, in an area located within the city of Detroit unlawfully detain an individual(s), unlawfully search an individual(s), conduct an illegal search of a residence, and/or falsify the factual basis of the Preliminary Complaint Record concerning same;
- That on February 12, 2001, Officer Zani did use or threaten to use a dangerous weapon, that being a firearm, during the commission of a crime; and
- That on February 12, 2001, Officer Zani did brandish a firearm during the commission of a crime.

On June 19, 2003, Officer Zani was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Michigan on charges of Conspiracy Against Rights, Deprivation of Rights Under Color of Law, and Use and Carrying of a Firearm During a Crime of Violence. Subsequently, Officer Zani was taken into custody and appeared before Federal Magistrate Thomas Carlson where he was held pending a detention hearing. On June 25, 2003, Officer Zani appeared before Federal District Court Judge Avern Cohn for a detention hearing. At that time, Judge Cohn released Officer Zani on a ten-thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) personal bond.

Based on the above circumstances, it is recommended that Officer Zani be charged with, but not limited to, the following violation of the Detroit Police Department Rules and Regulations:

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CITIZEN COMPLAINTS RECEIVED

*Complaints were taken for the week, but no complaints were entered into the system because due to a computer failure.

5. CHIEF'S REPORT

DETROIT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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The Detroit Police Department's mission is building a safer Detroit through community partnerships. Therefore, the following enforcement actions were conducted during the week of July $2^{nd} - 8^{th}$, 2003:

ORGANZIED CRIME AND GANG DIVISION

The Conspiracy Intelligence, South-East, North-West and Vice Sections conducted three enforcement actions that resulted in (23) misdemeanor, (1) felony arrests. These enforcement actions resulted in the confiscation of 1.0 gram of marijuana, 0.2 grams of cocaine and 8.5 grams of heroin with a total street value of \$15,384.00. \$528.00 in U.S. currency and (9) vehicles were confiscated from these enforcement actions.

SIXTH PRECINCT

On Wednesday, July 2, 2003, officers of the Sixth Precinct responded to a radio run on "Persons on golf carts firing shots." Upon arrival at Rouge Golf Course, the officers observed four males, each driving golf carts south on Fielding. As a result of their investigation, two juveniles were detained, one male arrested for "Receiving and Concealing Stolen Property" and one subject escaped on foot. In addition, four stolen golf carts were recovered and placed on evidence.

SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAM (S.R.T.)

During the week of July 2nd -8th, 2003, due to the arrival of Independence Day, members of the S.R.T. worked with the United States Customs to increase Homeland Security efforts at the Detroit borders of Canada. S.R.T. members assisted in screening and searching motorists at the Ambassador Bridge and Tunnel to Canada.

Chief of Police Jerry A. Oliver, Sr.

6. PRESENTATION – 11th PRECINCT

Commander Dunlap introduced his staff and gave an overview of operations within the 11th Precinct area. He also thanked Mr. Mike Green, President of the Northeast Community Hospital for his hospitality. He also thanked Mr. Hodari Brown for the poem written about the 11th Precinct Commander.

7. QUARTERLY AWARDS - CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS

DC Ronald Haddad presented the Quarterly Awards to the following Civilian/Investigator/Officer of the Quarter:

Civilians - Ms. Leslie Johnson, Mr. Leo Beasley, Ms. Kim Cummings, Ms. Deborah Pasha, Mr. Dorian Bishop, Ms. Della Clark.

Investigators - Inv. Richard Buyse, Inv. Beryl Mandeville, P.O. Jose Ortiz

Police Officers - P.O. Robert Johnson, P.O. Derrick Knox, P.O. Barney Williams, P.O. Kenneth Cawley, P.O. Renee Ellis, P.O. Jason Treece, P.O. Jeremy Aquayo, P.O. William Hamilton, P.O. Lawrence Purifoy, P.O. Marcus Woodson, P.O. Paul Sahadi, P.O. Jacquelynne Moore, P.O. Latrelle McNairy, P.O. Arthur Dudal, P.O. Michael Lesperance

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Comm. Norris stated that at the next community meeting scheduled for August 14, 2003, TASER International will be giving a presentation on a proposed weapon of intermediate force called the Taser.

The Department is hoping that many citizens who are interested in intermediate uses of force will come to the meeting and observe the Taser and give their comments. There will be demonstrations and members of the Department will step up to be tased. The meeting location of our next scheduled community meeting may change based on the size of the community that we think will be attending. The Department urged everyone to attend the meeting.

9. ORAL COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE

Edith Payne stated has had problems with 911 assistance. She recently had a fire and it took the Fire Department (10) ten minutes to arrive to her home. She

expressed her concerns since hearing that some fire departments will be closed. She also filed a complaint with the Commissioners (4) four months regarding a break-in and she alleged that no officers responded after (2) phone calls. She has not received a response to her complaint filed.

Comm. Blackwell asked was it the police department or the fire department?

Edith Payne answered the fire department.

Comm. Blackwell stated regarding the 911 complaint, Chief Investigator Arnold Sheard will look into the actual report and the proper dispatching. Relative to the Fire Department and their particular protocol and procedure, that is not within our jurisdiction. But as it relates to the 911 system and our relationship with them, we will take care of that. On the other item, you are stating that you have not received a response back?

Edith Payne stated that is correct and it was turned over to Mr. Sheard.

Comm. Blackwell asked Ms. Payne to meet with Mr. Sheard and he will give you some information or at least give the status of the case.

Greg Frazier and his wife Jenelle Frazier wished to address to defer their (2) minute complaint regarding Sgt. Kenny Williams to PO Reggie Crawford.

PO Reggie Crawford voiced his complaint regarding Sgt. Kenny Williams being a consultant for Ms. Kim Mathers and also being a Detroit Police Officer. He hoped that the Department would conduct a fair and impartial investigation.

Norma Mayfield wished to welcome the Board of Police Commissioners to the 11th Precinct area. She also thanked Commander Dunlap and his officers for a job well done in their area.

Margie Duffy is a resident of the Six Mile/Newburg area. She expressed her concerns regarding construction on Six Mile. Traffic is being routed off Six Mile and down on Newburg street. Due to this traffic congestion, (3) three parked cars were hit on her street. One of the cars hit was her son's and (2) two neighbor's cars. Her other concern involved drug trafficking on her street.

Phillip Craccioholo expressed his concern regarding the case regarding PO John Bennett. He was concerned if much attention would be given to this case as any other suspension. He asked if the final decision rested with Chief Oliver.

Comm. Blackwell stated that the Board of Police Commissioners must review every suspension request without pay. Suspension with pay is strictly in the authority of the Chief of Police.

Phillip Craccioholo asked has there been any discussions?

Comm. Blackwell stated that the Board has not officially received any request on that item.

Phillip Craccioholo stated say you do this and in the meantime this officer is out of a job.

Comm. Blackwell stated right now PO John Bennett is suspended with pay. He is getting paid. Even though he may not be at his duty, he is still receiving a paycheck, because it is not come before the Board.

Ron Scott requested that in the future, we should have a public hearing regarding the access to time in public meetings and have accommodations for citizens who come out free of charge to testify. He suggested a website or other identification maps since citizens had a hard time finding the location of this meeting.

Comm. Blackwell apologized to Mr. Scott if he felt offended by the time limit. He stated he would never question Mr. Scott's time. Just as Mr. Scott works for free, The Board of Police Commissioners works for free also.

Mary Lacey wished to know the status of her complaint against PO Officer Belton. She expressed losing a home in the 9th Precinct to drug activity and to find out that the dealers had police protection.

Comm. Norris asked Mr. Sheard if that was one of the complaints that she has or is it still over at the Office of the Chief Investigator? She stated that we will check on the status. She stated that the Commission has turned over about 80 cases this week. She did not know if Ms. Lacey's case was one of them. Comm. Norris asked Mr. Sheard to make sure that someone gets back with Ms. Lacey regarding the status of her case.

Mary Lacey stated that she thought the case was completed and told that one of the Commissioners has it.

Comm. Norris stated that may be, but there are a whole bunch that get turned over every week and she did not know the names of all of them that have been reviewed in the last week.

Comm. Blackwell stated to Comm. Norris are you saying that prior to next week, we will have an answer on this particular complaint?

Comm. Norris answered right.

Ms. Walters expressed her concern to Comm. Norris regarding her robbery incident in the media. She spoke about the Census Report and how Detroit is losing people. She stated we need to stick together or we will end up like Benton Harbor.

10. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday, July 17, 2003, @ 3:00 p.m.

Police Headquarters – Rm. 328-A 1300 Beaubien Detroit, MI 48226

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

DANTE' L. GOSSExecutive Director
Board of Police Commissioners

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